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January 8, 2007

David Markette Markette Law Office PO Box 515 Hamilton, MT 59840

RE:

Response to letter dated December 27, 2006

Floodplain Violation (VLTN-06-02) West Fork of the Bitterroot River Floodplain

271 Conner Cutoff Rd, T2N, R20W, Section 18, Ravalli County

Geocode #1074-18-1-01-33-0000, Parcel # 1156400

Dear Mr. Markette,

We have reviewed your request to extend the original December 31, 2006 deadline to remove the structure and improvements on the above named property. Given that historical discharge records identify the months of May and June as the most likely periods for high water and flooding, your request for a six-month extension is denied. Ravalli County will alternatively grant an extension to April 30, 2007 in order to relocate the residence and improvements to another location outside of the 100-year floodplain. Please be advised that a floodplain permit will be required to relocate the structure and remove the improvements.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (406) 375-6530.

Sincerely,

Laura Hendrix, CFM

Ravalli County Floodplain Administrator

CC:

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